

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY  
MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 13, 2020**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Jessica Fitzwater, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, Chief of Staff, County Council; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually via video conference.

**Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer**

Good Evening and welcome to the virtual meeting of the Frederick County Council. Today is Tuesday, October 13, 2020, today is a workshop day for the County Council.

The Frederick County Council is still conducting our meetings on-line during this time and this may continue for the foreseeable future due to concerns about the spread of the COVID virus.

Our meetings continue to be televised on Frederick County Government Channel 19, on Frederick County Government's website: [www.FrederickCountyMD.Gov/FCGTV](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.Gov/FCGTV), and as long as we continue to meet virtually, we will be using a software program which allows the public to watch and participate in our meetings. Please go to [www.frederickcountymd.gov/councilmeetings](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/councilmeetings) in order to watch us on that format.

You may still send us comments via email at ([Councilmembers@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:Councilmembers@frederickcountymd.gov)), or by calling (301) 600-1135 and leaving a voicemail message. Or using our new format, you may call toll free 855-925-2801 and enter meeting code 8365 to record your comments. As always, all comments received will be reflected in the minutes.

As a reminder during these virtual meetings, I will periodically stop to allow the members to ask any questions they might have on the issue being discussed...calling the council members by name to make sure the public is aware of which member has the floor.

As a continued caution to our Council Members – Please be respectful of each other's time and wait to be recognized before you begin to speak. Remember the microphone issue and please limit your questions to one at a time. I will continue to circle back until all questions appear to be answered.

To begin our meeting, the President started with a roll call vote to determine a quorum, since not everyone was visible on the screen. Members present responded "here".

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CM Blue, Dacey, Donald, Fitzwater, Hagen, and McKay. The President conducted a roll call of the members. All seven (7) council members responded in the affirmative.

The President then lead a moment of silence to remember those who were working so hard to contain the deadly disease, all those working on the front lines, the doctors, nurses, hospital staff, the emergency responders, the families and friends of those who have been sickened and were fighting for their lives, and unfortunately those who have lost their battle and have died..

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Compensation Review Commission Initial Discussion**

Council Members held the initial discussion on the Compensation Review Commission.

Public comment was heard from:

- None

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President  
County Council